

(a) the actual percentage of authors of Vernacular books who are residents of Trivandrum and suburbs, in relation to the total number of such authors in the State, whose works have been prescribed as text-books by the Travancore Text-Book Committee; and

(b) the special reason, if any, why the number of such authors from the metropolis of the State is larger than those from any other locality in the country?

MR. K. GEORGE (*Chief Secretary to Government*): (a) It is not possible to furnish the information, as the period for which the information is required has not been specified. Information regarding the residence of the various authors of Vernacular books in the State is not readily available.

(b) The question does not arise in view of the answer to part (a) above.

Appeal Cases filed in the Quilon and Kottayam District Courts from the decisions of certain subordinate courts.

234. **MR. TAMARAPALLIL KOCHUTOMMAN** (*Pattanamtitta*): Will the Government be pleased to lay on the table a statement showing the number of cases taken in appeal to the District Court, Quilon, from the Munsiffs' Courts of Chengannur, Adur, and Mavelikara, respectively, and to the Kottayam District Court from Tiruvalla, in each of the years 1099, 1100, 1101, 1102 and 1103?

MR. P. N. KRISHNA PILLAI (*Secretary to Government*): The statement* required is laid on the table.

Bridges on the Chengannur-Aranmula road.

235. **MR. TAMARAPALLIL KOCHUTOMMAN** (*Pattanamtitta*): Will the Government be pleased to state whether they are aware:

(i) that the road running from Chengannur to Aranmula is daily becoming more and more important as it is now used even for motor traffic;

(ii) that, during the rainy season, traffic along this route becomes impossible owing to the presence of canals which require to be bridged over; and

(iii) that several representations have been made to the Government by the people in the matter of constructing bridges over the canals?

MR. T. P. RAMASUBBA AIYAR (*Secretary to Government*): (i) Yes. (ii) Yes.

(iii) Yes; administrative sanction has been given for construction of bridges at Ayikad and Kozhipalam.

Repairing the Road from Chengannur to Mannar via Pandanad.

236. **MR. TAMARAPALLIL KOCHUTOMMAN** (*Pattanamtitta*): Will the Government be pleased to state whether they are aware:

* *Vide Appendix V—page 455.*